

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For	:	BACTERIAL EFFECTOR PROTEINS WHICH)	
		INHIBIT PROGRAMMED CELL DEATH)	
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the March 22, 2007, written restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect Group I (i.e. claims 1-6 and 103-109) with traverse. Applicants further elect, with traverse, amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO: 2.

Applicants, however, submit that the invention groups identified in the outstanding office action are closely related and, therefore, do not require separate search or consideration. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn and that all claims be examined together.

Respectfully submitted,



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